



SYDNEY WOMEN'S HOCKEY LEAGUE

Umpires Code of Conduct

As an Umpire appointed by SWHL, you must meet the following requirements in regard to your conduct during any activity held or sanctioned by SWHL and in any role you hold within SWHL.

The SWHL committee is responsible for ensuring that the Code of Conduct is met at all times. If in their opinion, there is a breach of the Code of Conduct the umpire may be suspended from the competition.

In accepting selection in as an umpire for the SWHL competition, a person agrees to:

1. Treat all players with respect at all times.
2. Accept responsibility for all actions taken. Exercise reasonable care to prevent injury by ensuring players play within the rules.
3. Be impartial and maintain integrity in your relationship with other officials, players and coaches.
4. Avoid situations that may lead to a conflict of interest
5. Not be in a position of individual and unsupervised contact with players under 18 years of age.
6. Be courteous, respectful and open to discussion and interaction.
7. Be a positive role model in behaviour and personal appearance by maintaining the highest standards of personal conduct and projecting a favourable image of hockey and officiating at all times.
8. Refrain from personal abuse towards players.
9. Make no detrimental statements in public in respect of the performance of any match officials, umpires, competitors, coaches or spectators in SWHL competitions.
10. Show concern and caution towards ill and injured athletes. Enforce the blood rule and apply procedures regarding ill or injured players according to the rules
11. Abstain from the use of tobacco and the consumption of alcoholic beverages when officiating or whilst in uniform.
12. Adhere to the Anti-Doping Policy advocated by Hockey Australia
13. Make no public comments or media announcements without prior approval from the SWHL committee.
14. Wear only the official umpires' uniform supplied by SWHL when umpiring in the competition.
15. Maintain the fitness level deemed acceptable when your appointment to the competition is made.
16. Abide by all relevant policies documented by SWHL in relation to your appointment at a SWHL sanctioned event.